

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2474 - SB 2555

February 27, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires public school nurses to be registered professional nurses beginning with the 1998-99 school year; continues the mandate for school nurses as a part of the BEP.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$25,800

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Exceeds \$500,000

Assumes over 100 LPNs are presently employed or contracted by local school systems. The local systems would be required to replace any of these not meeting the requirements of the bill at an average annual increase in salary of \$5,150 per registered professional nurse.

Assumes 5 LPNs presently employed by state special schools would be required to upgrade to RN or be replaced by a RN.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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